Cassettes containing vulgar songs about Lord Jagannath

†4155. SHRIMATI SAVITA SHARDA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a demand has been made to set-up a Censor Board in order to have a check on the cassettes containing vulgar songs about Lord Jagannath;

(b) if so, whether Government have considered the said demand, so far; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when the same is likely to be considered?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House..

Recording of Statements Before Magistrate

4156. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Law Commission in its latest report has recommended that in offences punishable with death or with ten or more years of imprisonment, the police would record statements of important witnesses in the presence of a Magistrate; and

(b) if so, Government's reaction in this regard and by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Report of the Law Commission after it is laid in the Parliament, would be processed in consultation with State Governments as the Criminal Law, and Criminal Procedure are on the Concurrent List of the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India. It is, however, not feasible to fix any time frame for this.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.